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has readable quality, and is well adapted to impart a comprehensive view of Arctic exploration. The facts are accurate, and the maps are excellent, especially the Bartholomew chart of the north polar regions. The history of Arctic enterprise is brought down to Peary's last expedition.

**Erdkunde für Schulen. Von Alfred Kirchhoff.** I Teil: Unterstufe. Thirteenth improved edition. 66 pp., 12 Illustrations. Buchhandlung des Waisenhauses, Halle a. S., 1906. (Price, 80 pf.)

**Erdkunde für Schulen. Von Alfred Kirchhoff.** II Teil: Mittel- und Oberstufe. Thirteenth edition. v and 395 pp., 36 Illustrations, 1 Table, and Index. Buchhandlung des Waisenhauses, Halle a S., 1907. (Price, M. 3.40.)

Part I gives the outlines of mathematical and political geography and globe studies for beginners. Part II is regarded as among the best geographies used in German schools. Written for the middle and high schools, it practically covers the field of geography as far as the study is pursued by students for whom it is intended. The section on map projections will be valuable to any American student who reads German. Germany and her colonies are treated with particular fulness. There are no maps in the text nor any references to maps in the footnotes, which means that the books are to be used in connection with any of the good German school atlases.

**Hunting Big Game with Gun and with Kodak. A Record of Personal Experiences in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. By William S. Thomas.** ix and 240 pp., 70 Illustrations from original photographs, and Index. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London, 1906.

These hunting adventures are widely distributed from British Columbia to New Brunswick and south to Mexico. They are lively sketches of the wilds that will interest a far larger circle than the brotherhood of Nimrods. The kodak had a conspicuous place in these outings and nearly every page has a half-tone illustration. More of these good views should bear titles giving an idea of their location. This would help to increase the geographical interest of the book. Much of the information concerns the life led by Indians, hunters, and trappers. The author was so fortunate as to catch on his photographic plates many specimens of deer, moose, water birds, and other animals in superb settings of lakes, forests, and mountains.

**Pioneer Work in Hunan by Adam Dorward and other Missionaries of the China Inland Mission. By Marshall Broomhall.** viii and 114 pp., Two Appendices, Illustrations, Map, and Index. China Inland Mission, 1906. (Price, 2s.)

Pioneer missionaries were long knocking at the door of Hunan and they laboured there for many years without fruit to cheer them. This narrative of missionary effort has great variety, for the story leads through the years of the closed doors into the present era with its boundless opportunities. Modern Chinese history would not be complete without such chapters as this volume supplies. The book contains an alphabetical list of all the chief, walled cities of Hunan. A map of the country, on which is imposed a map of England and Wales, shows that Hunan is considerably larger than that part of Great Britain.